

From the President's Desk

Jermaine Jones, Ph.D.

Dear Society for Psychopharmacology and Substance Use, Division 28-

As my term as president comes to an end, I'm filled with gratitude to all those who made this possible and those who've helped along the way. First, I'd like to thank past presidents Kelly Dunn and Bill Stoops who encouraged me to become a part of Division 28 leadership. Additionally, I'm grateful for the time and effort Tom Gould devoted to preparing me for the position during my tenure as president-elect. I also owe a huge debt of gratitude to Matt Kirkpatrick for always having the answers that I didn't, and Austin Zamarripa for



taking on the herculean task of program chair. I'd also like to thank the Division 28 executive committee: it's been a pleasure working with you. A special thanks to the division's financial sponsors: Suzette Evans, Bill Stoops, The Bluegrass Foundation, Friends Research Institute, Ashley Addiction Treatment, and the Harrison Foundation. Finally, I'd like to thank the members of Division 28, I'm proud to be a part of a group that makes such significant contributions to the field of psychopharmacology.

This past year Division 28 has grown, adding several outstanding fellows and increasing our presence on social media. Through our continued involvement with the PUMP program, we've also supported APA's DEI initiatives. Congrats again to the winners of this year's division awards: Mariel Bello, Cecilia Bergeria, Rick Bevins, and Hendree Jones.

This year has also seen its share of challenges. We've lost giants in the field like Jim Sorensen and Warren Bickel, among others. In addition to their significant contribution to our division and psychopharmacology, they were mentors, friends, and role models to many of us.

Looking towards next year, please highlight the achievements of your colleagues by nominating them for the: MED Associates Brady-Schuster Award, Early Career Psychopharmacologist Award, or Outstanding Dissertation Award. The deadline for nominations is January 15th. Please also plan to showcase your own research in the form of an abstract or symposium at the 2025 meeting. Next year, I leave the division in the extremely capable hands of Dr. Mikhail (Micky) Koffarnus, who has demonstrated his outstanding capacity to lead and his commitment to Division 28 in several roles over the past few years. Thanks again to all those who helped make this past year such a wonderful experience. I look forward to continued involvement in APA and Division 28.

Happy Holidays-
-Jermaine

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2023 APA Convention Recap

Austin Zamarippa, Ph.D.

As the Program Chair for the 2024 APA Annual Convention that was held in Seattle, WA, I want to thank everyone who attended and participated.

I also want to give a warm welcome to our new Convention Chair for 2025, **Will Middleton!** Please reach out with him with questions about the **2025 APA Convention to be held in Denver, CO on August 7th-9th:** william.middleton@uky.edu

Below are some highlights from our Division:

MED Associates Brady-Schuster Award Winners: Dr. Jermaine Jones, and our two award winners **Dr. Hendrée Jones** and **Dr. Rick Bevins!**



APA Division 28

Awardees for 2024: The Outstanding Dissertation Award went to **Dr. Mariel Bello** and the Young Psychopharmacologist Award went to **Dr. Cecilia Bergeria!**



New Fellows Talk, Poster Sessions, and Symposia: The Division 28 New Fellows talk, Poster Sessions and NIAAA Early Career Investigator Travel Poster Session were well attended and showcased excellent work from many members from Division 28 and 50, and as did Symposia on topics related to ketamine-assisted psychotherapies, cannabis regulation and laws, and contingency management to treat stimulant use.



Dr. Matthew Kilpatrick



Dr. Meredith Berry



See you all in Denver, CO in 2025!!!

Call for Nominations: APA Division 28 Awards for 2025

Justin Strickland, Ph.D.

Nominations are requested for the following 2025 APA Division 28 Awards: Outstanding Dissertation, Early Career Psychopharmacologist, and MED Associates Brady-Schuster. Candidates must be nominated by a Member or Fellow of Division 28, and it is preferred but not required that nominees be a member of Division 28 and APA. Nominations of candidates from underrepresented groups are highly encouraged.

Nomination materials for each award are indicated below and should be emailed to jstric14@jhmi.edu (please put "Division 28 Nomination" in the subject line). Materials must be received no later than January 15, 2024.

Outstanding Dissertation Award honors the best doctoral dissertation in psychopharmacology and substance use. The award includes a cash prize, funding support to attend the 2025 APA annual meeting, and an engraved plaque.

Persons who completed a doctoral program during calendar years 2023 or 2024 are eligible for nomination. The nomination must be based on a completed dissertation. **Nominations must include: (1) a letter from the sponsor supporting the nomination; (2) a copy of the dissertation on which the nomination is based; and (3) any additional supporting documents.**

Early Career Psychopharmacologist Award honors an early career scientist conducting original, meritorious work in psychopharmacology and encourages excellence in research at the interface between the disciplines of pharmacology and psychology. The award includes a cash prize, funding support to attend the 2025 APA annual meeting, and an engraved plaque.

Persons who are no more than ten (10) years past the date of receipt of the doctoral degree are eligible for nomination. The nomination must be based on work in an area of psychopharmacology, behavioral pharmacology or substance use. **Nominations must include: (1) the nominee's resume or Curriculum Vitae; (2) selected reprints or manuscript(s) describing the research on which the nomination is based; and (3) a statement from the sponsor in support of the nomination.**

MED Associates Brady-Schuster Award honors a mid-career or senior scientist who conducts outstanding research underscoring the fundamental importance of behavioral science to psychopharmacology or substance use. The award includes a cash prize, funding support to attend the 2025 APA annual meeting, and an engraved plaque.

Persons who are at least 15 years past the date of receipt of the doctoral degree and have an established record of outstanding contributions (in scholarship, service, and mentorship) in psychopharmacology, behavioral pharmacology, or substance use are eligible for nomination. Nominations must include: (1) a letter detailing the nominee's scientific contributions; (2) the nominee's resume or Curriculum Vitae; and (3) selected reprints or manuscript(s) describing the research on which the nomination is based.

For more information, and list of past recipients:
<https://www.apadivisions.org/division-28/awards>

Remembrance: Dr. Warren Bickel

By Dr. Stephen T. Higgins

I am honored to have this opportunity to contribute a remembrance of our dear friend and colleague, Warren K. Bickel, PhD, who passed away on Saturday 9/28/24. His friendship, collegiality, and wisdom will be sorely missed by those of us in Division 28 and others throughout the American Psychological Association (APA) and beyond.

Warren completed undergraduate training at the State University of New York at New Paltz where he received a B.A. in Psychology (1974-1978). He completed doctoral training at the University of Kansas in Developmental and Child Psychology (1979-1983), where his primary mentor was Barbara C. Etzel. Warren completed postdoctoral fellowships in behavioral pharmacology at the University of North Carolina with Linda A. Dykstra (1983-1984) and at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine with Maxine L. Stitzer, George E. Bigelow, and Roland R. Griffiths (1984-1985). Warren held faculty positions at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, Department of Psychiatry (1985-1987), University of Vermont, Departments of Psychiatry and Psychology (1987-2004), University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, Department of Psychiatry (2004-2011), and Fralin Biomedical Research Institute at VTC, Virginia Tech (2011-2024).



Drs. Ken Silverman, Warren Bickel & Steve Higgins (at Warren's wedding).

Warren's participation in Division 28 was extensive and multifaceted, and in that regard emblematic of his career more generally. He received the Division 28 Young Psychopharmacologist Award in 1988 and the Brady Schuster Award in 2012. He served as the annual conference Program Chair in 1988-91 and Membership Chair in 1991-94. He also was Editor of Division 28's flagship journal *Experimental and Clinical Psychopharmacology (ECP)* in 1999-2005 and authored 52 articles in *ECP* between 1997-2023. Overall, Warren's research was characterized by innovation, productivity, and high impact. For example, he was first author on pivotal studies in the development of buprenorphine as a medication for treatment of opioid use disorder as a postdoctoral fellow; he pioneered the application of behavioral economics to the study of addiction while still an Assistant Professor and thereafter contributed a steady stream of impactful innovations (e.g., demand curves to characterize human drug self-administration, role of delay discounting in addiction vulnerability, hypothetical purchase tasks, the experimental tobacco marketplace, and conceptualizing addiction as reinforcement pathology); more recently, Warren started a seminal addiction recovery registry. Warren has more than 500 publications that have received more than 50 thousand citations. He has received multiple prestigious scientific awards in addition to those mentioned above, including the College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD) Joseph Cochin Young Investigator Award, a National Institutes of Health (NIH) MERIT Award, and CPDD's Nathan B. Eddy Award (a career-achievement award).

Warren has also made substantive contributions to clinical service including starting the first treatment clinic in Vermont for medication treatment for opioid use disorder, which remains



Drs. Charles R. Schuster, Maxine Stitzer, Stephen T. Higgins, Joseph V. Brady, & Warren Bickel at (what we believe to be) the first Brady-Schuster

Warren's premature passing. I am also tremendously grateful for the good fortune of having such a terrific friend and colleague and uplifted by knowing that Warren's scientific contributions will continue advancing addiction science in Division 28 and beyond for many years to come.

the largest provider in the state currently serving > 1,000 patients. He has been a successful mentor throughout his career, serving as primary mentor for 45 predoctoral and postdoctoral fellows, many of whom went on to outstanding scientific careers in addiction science and others who are on their way to the same. He launched successful NIH T32 predoctoral and postdoctoral training programs in addiction science while at the University of Vermont that is currently in year 35, and at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences that is currently in year 15, and mentored predoctoral and postdoctoral fellows throughout his time at Virginia Tech.

Like many of you, I am deeply saddened by

Remembrance: Dr. Warren Bickel

By Dr. James MacKillop



I first met Warren Bickel through his scientific work. Having previously been investigating associative learning in addiction, midway through graduate school I had an epiphany that substance use was fundamentally operant learning and, in turn, that decision making about consumption preferences was an essential final common pathway. Exploring this further revealed a vigorous line of scientific inquiry already existed and time and again brought me to Warren's work. Whether it was foundational studies revealing precipitous delay discounting in addiction or demonstrating operant control over cocaine consumption, I discovered study after study that had already empirically examined the flight of hypotheses that were emerging in my own mind. Moreover, these studies were undertaken with such rigorous and parametric designs that conversion to an operant learning perspective was complete.

As a result, as an impressionable graduate student, Warren was unsurprisingly something of a scientific hero to me and I was intimidated at our first meeting at a conference on the nature of addiction at the University of Alabama when I was a postdoctoral fellow. Any anxiety was misplaced. Instead of the doctrinaire mandarin I expected, he was a warm and genial contributor to the meeting and supremely encouraging of me as an early career scientist. That meeting was the impetus for our collaborations over the next two decades, comprising both empirical studies and theoretical reviews, numerous grant applications (some funded and even more unfunded), and co-

founding a technology transfer start-up company together. The range of topics on which we collaborated scientifically speaks to his incredible breadth of intellectual curiosity: applying reinforcer pathology theory to drug addiction and obesity; identifying determinants of impulsive delay discounting, from genetic variation to *in vivo* manipulations; the effects of COVID-19 on executive function; and the neuroeconomics of delay discounting and episodic future thinking.

What I so fondly remember about Warren was his insatiable appetite for science, the way he relished giving updates on recent discoveries from his lab. He would relate new results or other related findings in long-form stories with a conspiratorial grin with the timing of standup comic. Writing grants is a Sisyphean task for us all, but he was a happy warrior, indefatigably submitting new and revised proposals and sharing his superlative grant writing acumen with collaborators and trainees in the process. Although he had many administrative roles, he seemed never happier professional than designing new studies, poring over data with collaborators and trainees, and launching the findings out into the field as publication. He was a consummate scientist, integrating boundless curiosity with rigorous design, and never jaded or cynical despite the challenges all research brings. Beyond research, I remember how proudly and lovingly he spoke of his kids and grandkids, especially their recent geographic proximity.

Beyond scientific curiosity and incredible scholarly productivity, Warren had a deep desire for his work to have real-world impact. That was the impetus for developing a start-up company to bring reinforcer pathology assessments to real-world clinical care. The idea was born more than a decade ago but didn't initially gain momentum because of our academic 'day jobs' and my move to Canada. But when Sarah Snider, one of Warren's postdoctoral fellows, had a similar interest, Beam Diagnostics fully took off. Although Warren didn't live to see reinforcer pathology assessments become commercially available, they are on the near horizon and will be a further realization of his major contribution to both understanding addiction and improving its treatment.

I feel great gratitude to have known Warren as a mentor, collaborator, co-founder, and friend, and for his many contributions to our field and to everyone in his orbit.

Remembrance: Dr. Toby K. Eisenstein

By Kirsten Smith, PhD



A prolific scientist who contributed to opioid and cannabinoid research was lost, passing on August 4, 2024 at the age of 81. Dr. Eisenstein, of Philadelphia, PA, was a renowned and prolific researcher with over 150 scientific publications, a dynamic and beloved teacher of generations of medical, dental, and graduate students at Temple University's Medical School. Beloved wife of Bruce for over 60 yrs. She was also a loving mother of Dr. Eric Eisenstein (Debra), Andrew Eisenstein (Ricki), and Ilana Eisenstein (Dr. Thomas Scott); Devoted and proud grandmother of Evelyn, Miranda, Max, Eli, Noah, Margalit, Elliot, Ash, and Charlie. Toby grew up in Northeast Philadelphia and graduated from Girls High. Dr. Eisenstein matriculated to Wellesley College and earned her Ph.D. at Bryn Mawr College in microbiology and immunology in 1969. Toby was a pioneer woman in science.

She embarked on her career in the late 1960s, when women were a rarity in the scientific fields. She achieved both personal and career success in her 55 years as a Professor at Temple Medical School, where she focused on the development of vaccines for bacterial infections, and later in her career, co-founded the Center for Substance Abuse Research to investigate the basic science of how abused substances work in the brain to cause addiction and to suppress the immune system. In commemoration of her 50 years of distinguished service, Temple Medical School honored Toby by commissioning a portrait of her to be displayed at the University, describing her at the unveiling of the work as a "Temple giant." She was revered as a role model and a leader in the institution and in her fields of study. Throughout her 50 years at Temple, Dr. Eisenstein's research spanned from developing vaccines for typhoid fever and Legionnaires' disease to exploring the intersection of IV drug use and HIV. Her work in understanding the effects of opioids on the immune system led to the establishment of the Center for Substance Abuse Research, which she co-directed with distinction.

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For more on Ashley, please visit their website: <https://www.ashleytreatment.org/>



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Division 28 Membership Information

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Individual Memberships

Division 28 is committed to:

- Basic and Applied Research
- Undergraduate, Graduate, and Postdoctoral training
- Evidenced-based Clinical Practice
- Public Service and Advocacy

We accept APA members and non-members, and have different membership levels available for students, early career psychologists (terminal degree within the past 7 years), and regular members. Members receive a thrice-yearly newsletter, and are eligible for 1 of 3 annual awards (Outstanding Dissertation, Early Career Psychopharmacologist, Med Associates Brady/Schuster Award). See the previous award winners at our Division 28 [awards page!](#)

Please consider joining or renewing your membership! Contact our membership chair, Justin Yates (yatesj1@nku.edu) or visit our Division 28 [membership page](#) on our website for information.

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Corporate contributions support efforts in research, practice, and education. A membership contribution of \$1000 is tax deductible. This is the recommended level of support. Any corporate contributions are tax exempt, and our tax number will be supplied upon request. Other levels of support are available and appreciated.

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- Access to thrice yearly newsletter
- Acknowledgement of support with corporate logo in newsletter
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- Liaison(s) eligible to subscribe to Division members-only listserv
- Liaison(s) participation in active and growing Division 28 social media presence
- Receive overview of relevant programming at APA convention

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Psychopharmacology and Substance Use News Editorial Policy

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Psychopharmacology and Substance Use News is a thrice-yearly publication of Division 28 devoted to keeping members informed about the divisions activities and to news concerning all aspects of psychopharmacology and substance use. Articles, comments, announcements, and advertisements should be sent to the editor, Kirsten E. Smith ksmit@jh.edu Explore content from archived Division 28 newsletters [here!](#)



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Training and Career Announcements

VERMONT CENTER ON BEHAVIOR AND HEALTH POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

The Vermont Center on Behavior and Health (VCBH) located at the University of Vermont (UVM) Larner College of Medicine (LCOM) announces one predoctoral and two NIH postdoctoral research fellowship opportunities in our internationally-recognized center of excellence for substance use disorder research.

Working with **Sarah H. Heil, PhD**, one postdoctoral fellow will lead research on addictions among women with substance use disorders, including work on posttraumatic stress disorder in collaboration with **Kelly R. Peck, Ph.D.**, and research on sexual and reproductive health. Working with **Stacey C. Sigmon, Ph.D.**, one postdoctoral fellow will help to lead research addressing illicit opioid use and other health behaviors in a variety of adult populations, with a focus on rural populations. Drs. Heil, Peck, and Sigmon and our more than 30-year training program have an exceptional track record of helping fellows establish successful careers as independent investigators.

Eligibility: Applicants must have completed their training in psychology or a related discipline and be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Outstanding trainees are selected on the basis of scholastic record, productivity and commitment to a career in substance use disorder research. Individuals must be highly motivated, possess initiative, and a strong desire to learn and expand their interests and expertise.

Appointment: 2-3 years for postdoctoral

Benefits: Stipend and travel funds supported by an NIH Institutional Training Award

For more information: Contact (stacey.sigmon@uvm.edu) and Sarah H. Heil, PhD (sarah.heil@uvm.edu).

To apply: Send an application form (available by request from Dr. Heil), cover letter, curriculum vitae, statement of research interests, and three letters of reference to Dr. Heil.

To apply for the postdoctoral fellowships: Send an application form (available by request from Dr. Heil), cover letter, curriculum vitae, statement of research interests, and three letters of reference to Dr. Heil.

About us: VCBH, established in 2013, is an interdisciplinary center of research excellence committed to investigating relationships between personal behavior patterns (i.e., lifestyle) and risk for chronic disease and premature death. Unhealthy or risk behaviors are overrepresented among socioeconomically disadvantaged populations and are major contributors to the problem of health disparities. VCBH's work seeks to develop effective interventions and policies to promote healthy behavior. The VCBH resides within the UVM LCOM Department of Psychiatry, with additional investigators, collaborators, and advisors across 15 LCOM academic departments, seven UVM colleges, and five other universities. The VCBH is further strengthened by interdisciplinary collaborations with key community healthcare leaders and distinguished scientific advisory panels.

Burlington, Vermont is located in the beautiful Lake Champlain region and has continually been voted one of the nicest cities in which to live as well as one of America's most "fit" cities due to the four seasons of outdoor activities. Burlington is a great place for families, boasting excellent schools, a culturally-rich environment, and close proximity to Boston and Montreal.

UVM is especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through their research, teaching, and/or service. Applicants are requested to include in their cover letter information about how they will further this goal.

UVM is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, protected veteran status, or any other category legally protected by federal or state law. UVM encourages applications from all individuals who will contribute to the diversity and excellence of the institution. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled.

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY SENIOR RESEARCH ASSISTANT

The Department of Mental Health seeks a **Sr. Research Assistant** who, under the supervision of the PI, will be responsible for coordinating research activities and assisting with project management of the Digital Wellbeing in Saudi Arabia project. This research study will evaluate the impact of Internet, social media, and game use on the health of Saudi Arabian citizens, particularly youth and adolescents. Working closely with collaborators in Saudi Arabia and elsewhere, our team will (1) explore Internet and media use from a digital balance perspective to investigate how the Internet provides benefits as well as risks to wellbeing and (2) develop an intervention to promote digital balance.

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Assist in managing a multiphase international project, including coordination and implementation of planned preparation, research, and dissemination tasks.

- Assist with protocol development, study implementation and research dissemination support to complex studies, maintaining good working knowledge of all assigned tasks.
- Review, edit and finalize study-related documents (protocols, data collection materials, study SOPs) in collaboration with PIs and study teams.
- Supervise students in conducting literature reviews and data analysis.
- Plan, organize, and create meeting agendas, materials, and draft minutes for various meetings.
- Format abstracts/manuscripts and submit to conferences/journals. Track scientific

conferences/events and facilitate participation of research team.

- Assist with recruitment of international stakeholders.
- Provide assistance in developing effective visualizations, posters, and presentations for scientific conferences and donor reporting.
- Assist research teams in performing quantitative as well as qualitative data analysis.
- Plan and co-produce translation and dissemination activities including social media posting, blogging, and arranging media interviews.
- Respond to job seeker inquiries and assess applicant CVs.
- Schedule and conduct initial interviews and request follow up meetings.
- Determine and track available studies for students to work on or manuscripts to assist with.
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- The successful applicant will demonstrate strong project management skills and experience and an ability to work well with other professionals with minimal supervision.
- Project coordination/management experience in global sponsored projects a plus.
- Must be comfortable being part of a diverse professional team.
- Must be able to communicate effectively and have strong writing and editorial skills, strong organizational skills, and excellent attention to detail.
- Ability to function independently with a high degree of motivation essential.
- Ability to manage multiple and competing priorities; excellent time management skills.
- Knowledge of R, STATA, and/or Atlas.ti (or other qualitative analysis software), Dropbox/OneDrive (or other cloud storage solution), Slack, and Zotero (or other bibliographic management software).
- Ability to create and manage websites for the project.

Minimum Qualifications

Bachelor's Degree in related discipline and two years of related experience. Additional graduate level education may substitute for required experience, to the extent permitted by the JHU equivalency formula.

Application Link: <https://jobs.jhu.edu/job/Baltimore-Sr-Research-Assistant-MD-21205/993151400/>

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underrepresented in science including people with disabilities, members of the LGBTQ+ and/or Black, Indigenous, (and) People of Color communities.

THE CENTER FOR TECHNOLOGY-BASED EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY HEALTH POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW - PART TIME

The Center for Technology-based Education and Community Health at NDRI-USA is seeking applicants for a part time post doctoral fellow in a large project designed to encourage participants to protect themselves and others from overdose. The project is funded by NIH/NIDA and offers extensive opportunities for publication and experience working with an established team of professional researchers.

The successful candidate will work closely with PI Ian David Aronson, Ph.D., and other members of the study team to collect and analyze data and write up study findings. Qualitative and quantitative research training will be provided. Excellent written communication skills are required, as well as the ability to work onsite in various parts of New York City at the direction of study leadership. Experience working with people who use drugs and Spanish language skills are strongly desired. Lived or living experience with substance use and/or the criminal justice system are also desired. Earned doctorate in the social and behavioral sciences, or a related field, is preferred but we will consider advanced students who are close to degree completion. Salary range for 7.5 hours per week: \$11,000 to \$12,000.

LEARN MORE: <https://cpdd.org/job/post-doctoral-fellow-part-time-the-center-for-technology-based-education-and-community-health/>

MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA PSYCHIATRY: ADDICTION SCIENCES DIVISION CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR/CDAP CLINIC DIRECTOR

Job Summary: The Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences is seeking a faculty member to serve as the Clinical Director of the Center for Drug and Alcohol Programs (CDAP), an outpatient clinic in the Addiction Sciences Division of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC). Reporting to the Addiction Sciences Division Director, the CDAP Clinical Director will be directly engaged in clinical service while also supervising and directing a multidisciplinary team providing individual and group clinical care to individuals with addiction-related and other psychiatric illnesses and their families. Specific responsibilities include programmatic leadership, fiscal and logistical oversight, supervision of clinicians, and direct engagement in clinical care. Trained in the areas of evidence-based treatments, data-driven program development and evaluation, and modern assessment methods, the individual will mentor and supervise clinicians and trainees, a critical factor in

maintaining the integrity and productivity of the clinical program.

Candidate must be a Psychologist with the ability to hold an unrestricted license to practice in South Carolina.

LEARN MORE: <https://cpdd.org/job/clinical-assistant-professor-cdap-clinic-director-medical-university-of-south-carolina/>

**UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR/ASSISTANT SCIENTIST IN
CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY**

The University of Kansas (KU) is seeking applications for an endowed, tenure-track Assistant Professor and Assistant Scientist position in the Cofrin Logan Center for Addiction Research and Treatment (CLC) and the Clinical Psychology Program. We are seeking a clinical scientist with a program of research in addiction prevention and intervention approaches who can contribute to the research activities in the CLC and clinical educational activities in the Psychology Department. This is a full-time, tenure-track position to begin Fall 2025. The position is well suited for applicants who wish to devote substantial effort to their research program, with 60% total cumulative effort designated for research, and the remainder divided among teaching (20% or 1 course per semester) and service (20%). This 9-month position is funded by the Judy Janes Endowed Professorship and offers a competitive salary and generous start up package.

Required Qualifications

1. A Ph.D. in Psychology from an accredited clinical psychology program (American Psychological Association, Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System, or a closely-related license-eligible field.)
2. Record of research and scholarship focused on addiction interventions for either prevention and/or treatment
3. Demonstrated capacity or potential to conduct and sustain a rigorous, externally-funded research program
4. Experience in or strong potential to mentor students at the graduate and undergraduate levels and to teach core classes for the clinical psychology PhD program

Application review begins October 17, 2024. Inquiries regarding the position and application can be directed to the chair of the search committee Tera Fazzino, PhD, Dept of Psychology and Cofrin Logan Center for Addiction Research and Treatment. tfazzino@ku.edu

See more information and apply

here: https://sjobs.brassring.com/TGnewUI/Search/Home/HomeWithPreLoad?PageType=JobDetails&partnerid=25752&siteid=5539&jobid=5000626#jobDetails=5000626_5539

**JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY
BLOOMBERG SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW**

An exciting postdoctoral fellowship opportunity is available at Johns Hopkins University within the Bloomberg School of Public Health's Department of Mental Health. This fellowship will provide advanced multidisciplinary training to postdoctoral researchers and

prepare fellows for positions in academia, government, and consulting. Training includes, but is not limited to, mentored research, manuscript and grant-writing, and conference presentation experiences.

The postdoctoral fellow will work on the "Development of a Longitudinal Observational Research Registry for the Study of Medicinal Cannabis Use and Health" project funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The fellow will work closely with study PIs Drs. Ryan Vandrey and Johannes Thrusl and an interdisciplinary team to address a range of research questions related to the health effects of medicinal cannabis use. Duties will include, but are not limited to, developing protocols, overseeing research data collection, and preparing scientific reports and presentations. More information on the project can be found at https://reporter.nih.gov/search/v_Hv02-QGUurwgnT91Rqjg/project-details/10741486

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Fellows receive a competitive salary and benefits based on the NIH scale. Appointment is for one year initially, with possibility for extension. Relocation to Baltimore will be required.

Qualifications: Excellent communication, organizational, and time-management skills are a must. Research training and data analysis experience is required. Expertise with quantitative analysis is required. A PhD or other terminal degree in public health, psychology, social sciences, or a related discipline is required.

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How to Apply: Applicants should submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, writing sample, and three references to Dr. Johannes Thrusl (jthrusl@jhu.edu). Applicants must also apply through the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Health website. See the Postdoctoral Programs webpage at <https://publichealth.jhu.edu/academics/postdoctoral-programs/process-forappointing-postdoctoral-fellows>

for more information and a link to the application form.

Review of applications will start immediately and continue until the selected candidate is identified. Finalist interviews will take place following phone screening interviews. The start date can be as early as September 2023.

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE, INTRAMURAL
RESEARCH PROGRAM
POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP
TRANSLATIONAL ADDICTION MEDICINE**

The Real-world Assessment, Prediction, and Treatment (RAPT) Unit (<https://irp.drugabuse.gov/staff-members/david-epstein/>) is part of the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) Intramural Research Program (IRP), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). We are recruiting a Postdoctoral Fellow. The workplace is the Translational Addiction Medicine Branch (TAMB), NIDA IRP, Baltimore, Maryland.

RAPT conducts human research, both on site at NIDA's laboratory facilities and remotely via smartphone-based or online data collection. The Postdoctoral fellow will be involved in a variety of projects, under the supervision and mentoring of Dr. David Epstein, Tenure-Track Clinical Investigator and Chief of RAPT. The Postdoctoral fellow will focus on development and testing of content for a mobile intervention for substance-use disorders (SUDs)—specifically, what is sometimes called a JITAI (just-in-time adaptive intervention). This project is an outgrowth of RAPT's ongoing work with smartphone-based EMA (ecological momentary assessment) and has been progressing through initial formative research—specifically, in-depth interviews with members of relevant populations. The Postdoctoral fellow will be expected to continue the project but also to extend it creatively, addressing their own specific research questions and their own broad vision of what mobile interventions should do.

This endeavor will require a strong background in both the phenomenology and the treatment of SUDs. It will also benefit from a degree of skepticism about mobile interventions (skepticism sufficient to improve them and to acknowledge limitations in success). The ideal candidate will have the critical-thinking skills needed to develop a research protocol (most likely a microrandomized field study of different types of momentary JITAI content, though this can be negotiated), present data, and develop and publish papers, and also a strong capacity for empathetic personal interactions with research participants.

A Ph.D., M.D., or equivalent degree is required. The fellowship is open to US and foreign citizens. The selected candidate will have access to lectures, educational, mentoring and grant training opportunities at the RAPT and TAMB levels, the NIDA IRP level, and NIH-wide.

To apply, please send current CV, a statement of research background and interests, and at least 3 reference contacts to: David Epstein, Ph.D., email: david.epstein@nih.gov The NIH is dedicated to building a diverse community in its training and employment programs. DHHS and NIH are Equal Opportunity Employers.

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